



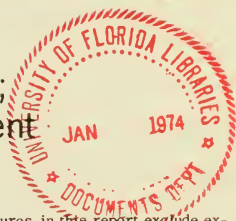
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and GENERAL IMPORTS**
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Shipping Weight and Value;
Customs District and Continent



This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at \$1.5 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Classification of U.S. Customs Districts and Ports for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics, January 1, 1972 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such with U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included

in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

The statistics on exports of domestic and foreign merchandise to countries other than Canada reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$499, based on a 50-percent probability sample of such shipments. For exports to Canada the statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$1,999, based on a 10-percent probability sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under \$251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The table on the following page provides a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability of value totals, on a 2 chances out of 3 basis. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
\$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
\$500,000-\$1,000,000	.20	1.00		
\$100,000-\$500,000	.30	.45	.70	1.00
\$20,000-\$100,000		.35	.70	1.00
Cells of under \$20,000	Are likely to have sampling variability from \$3,000 to \$15,000			

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
\$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
\$100,000-\$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
\$20,000-\$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under \$20,000	Generally \$500 to \$5,000
Cells of \$0	Generally less than \$500

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued \$251 and over. Data for shipments valued under \$251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under \$251), are estimated from a 5-percent sample for 1973. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under \$251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of \$500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under \$500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than \$50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)										Value (1,000 dollars)									
	Total					North America					South America					Europe				
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers	U.S. flag carriers
Total, all carriers.....	134,918	(X)	49,304	11,565	4,931	21,928	8,802	3,384	2,530	1,016,390	(X)	113,441	72,861	540,514	225,146	27,912	23,284			
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)																			
Santon, Mass.....	2,970	1,301	508	2	2,347	34	55	34	30,349	12,347	3,270	44	25,565	493	599	378				
Bridgeport, Conn.....	17	15	2	15	2	15	2	(2)	136	136	2		135	19						
Bridgeport, Conn.....	748	728	747	1	1	1	1	(2)	5,571	5,571	5,571	14								
Buffalo, N.Y.....	57,478	19,306	9,977	3,645	40,470	8,250	578	1,559	521,615	170,204	20,956	29,153	372,094	77,620	5,518	16,275				
New York City, N.Y.....	1,778	1,342	221	916	527	70	33	11	10,999	6,551	1,711	4,276	3,587	599	12	112				
Philadelphia, Pa.....	40	40	32	(2)	9				122	122	75		47							
Baltimore, Md.....	49	49	49	(2)	49				156	156		(2)		156						
Wilmington, N.C.....	318	310	99	1	213	4		(2)	888	765	277	55	495	54	8					
Swansea, Ga.....	69	9	59	9	1				213	6	190	6	16							
Tampa, Fla.....	29	29			3	27			203	203			32	171						
Mobile, Ala.....	615	156	574	40	(2)				1,708	553	1,522	184		2						
New Orleans, La.....	146	173	144	1					1,674	1,674	1,674	16								
Laredo, Tex.....	136	136	1						1,172	1,172										
El Paso, Tex.....	159	159	1						1,172	1,172										
Los Angeles, Calif.....	8,654	3,050	323	2,234	4,719	667	60	107,282	34,932	5,211	3,995	31,487	58,644	6,799	1,145					
San Francisco, Calif.....	5,515	2,949	223	48	414	3,922	900	8	77,710	35,273	3,850	918	7,022	54,550	11,170	200				
Portland, Ore.....	370	269	7	46	217				2,221	2,217	83		1,943	86	21	689				
Seattle, Wash.....	1,164	825	269	(2)	362	496	13	23	12,111	8,765	2,135	5	3,794	5,437						
Anchorage, Alaska.....	329	147	5	27	302	122			374	374	140		35	799	927					
Juneau, Alaska.....	33	33	33	1	287				346	346	346		43							
Great Falls, Mont.....	6	6							104	104	104									
Pembina, N. Dak.....	250	249	134	10	106			(2)	2,569	2,566	967		138	1,438						
Minneapolis, Minn.....	3,682	3,225	1,217	36	2,263	55	48	64	17,359	14,233	3,752	131	13,025	138	104	208				
Detroit, Mich.....	12,873	6,604	3,598	3	7,108	1,890	124	195	84,585	43,402	23,450	30	43,842	14,720	10	1,955				
Chicago, Ill.....	1,100	57	57	1,145	112				1,590	1,590	1,590		1,590	270	(2)	54				
St. Louis, Mo.....	876	433	768	98	9			2	2,931	1,603	1,820	475	606		30					
San Juan, P.R.....	15,637	6,043	7,723	7,569	246	41	1	57	51,432	19,144	20,945	26,616	3,445	343	10	74				
Miami, Fla.....	2,299	924	1,093	374	373	332	4	133	13,258	3,863	3,755	3,654	2,450	2,432	22	766				
Houston, Tex.....	985	96	6	77	583	13	(2)	5	13,267	3,010	20	946	12,744	21	12	34				
Washington, D.C.....	34	19	16	5	741			13	429	349	133	228								
All other districts.....	15,991	5,100	1,201	4,608	2,741	870	387	92	32,367	9,241	2,355	11	5,792	1,468	1,375					
Special Category.....									6,969	6,969										

D Data withheld to avoid disclosure of information for security reasons. MA Not available. X Not applicable. Z Less than 500 pounds or \$500.

- Represents zero.

Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)						Value (1,000 dollars)					
	Total			South America			Europe			Asia		
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers	North America	South America	Europe	Asia	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers	North America	South America	Europe	Asia
Total, all carriers...	90,501	(X)	9,380	11,066	44,618	24,629	403	343	58,611	28,705	363,432	200,657
U.S. flag carriers...	41,112	(X)	3,887	4,333	19,255	13,372	199	64	316,714	31,331	162,669	105,917
Boston, Mass.....	3,030	945	142	64	2,746	74	1	3	19,351	7,249	1,471	213
Bridgeport, Conn.....	(2)	1	(2)	1	(2)	1	-	-	41	25	1	16
Buffalo, N.Y.....	335	310	310	(2)	23	2	-	-	4,721	4,453	4,007	(2)
New York City, N.Y.....	41,916	1,394	3,886	27,975	8,311	108	242	(2)	134,729	7,653	239,861	54,112
Philadelphia, Pa.....	1,848	1,314	54	774	917	101	2	(2)	11,698	6,684	769	3,201
Baltimore, Md.....	134	129	6	(2)	114	13	-	-	1,002	945	84	10
Wilmington, N.C.....	167	165	(2)	-	125	43	-	-	1,294	1,254	23	-
Charleston, S.C.....	46	46	14	-	29	4	-	-	3,100	3,099	55	-
Washington, D.C.....	52	3	45	-	7	-	(2)	(2)	136	6	127	-
Mobile, Ala.....	5	(2)	1	4	-	-	-	-	25	1	-	3
New Orleans, La.....	292	73	194	1	7	(2)	(2)	-	401	203	232	55
Laredo, Tex.....	124	94	121	1	3	(2)	-	-	562	138	452	-
San Antonio, Tex.....	31	22	24	1	6	-	-	-	525	428	492	2
San Diego, Calif.....	717	2,372	17	118	1,170	5,264	89	7	81	219	38	118
San Francisco, Calif.....	5,964	3,974	73	118	235	5,553	82	7	76,829	44,893	1,847	116
Portland, Ore.....	6	(2)	2	1	-	-	-	-	40	35	24	2
Seattle, Wash.....	2,717	2,469	90	(2)	183	2,442	(2)	2	18,049	15,303	2,671	1
Anchorage, Alaska.....	85	56	33	-	7	45	-	-	363	160	46	-
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	618	237	13	3	506	59	-	-	7,005	1,945	30	6
San Juan, P.R.....	16	25	26	-	-	-	-	-	219	216	217	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	142	136	11	(2)	30	102	(2)	-	1,705	1,639	247	8
Detroit, Mich.....	3,827	3,443	360	-	3,451	22	23	(2)	8,516	6,880	1,296	-
Chicago, Ill.....	4,483	2,013	520	(2)	3,143	772	4	42	37,805	14,069	5,963	3
Cleveland, Ohio.....	115	12	66	(2)	47	1	(2)	1	1,748	453	2	2
San Jose, Calif.....	1,758	717	1,094	537	139	8	-	-	2,886	1,022	1,571	578
San Jose, P.R.....	8,921	2,677	3,051	118	418	46	(2)	3	22,490	9,854	10,376	7,171
Miami, Fla.....	763	469	400	40	227	36	(2)	1	11,232	10,428	36	2
Houston, Tex.....	848	778	41	1	205	4	(2)	1	11,232	10,428	36	2
Washington, D.C.....	88	29	52	-	26	10	-	-	366	111	161	-
All other districts.....	5,024	(WA)	747	210	2,693	1,263	34	37	6,138	(NA)	910	256
Shipments under \$251...												

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